GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:441
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WAIVING OF OUTSTANDING DUES FROM B.S.C.L.
T.M. SELVAGANAPATHI

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken a decision to waive Rs.295.71 crores of outstanding Government loans and interest due from Burn Standard Company Limited;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said waive off the above said amount was meant for attracting Joint Venture proposal for the above company; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a) & (b) Government have decided to waive Rs.295.71 crore of outstanding loans and interest subject to the selection of a joint venture partner.

(c) & (d): In order to improve the prospects of success of joint venture exercise it was felt desirable to make the net worth of the company positive by financial restructuring of Government dues.